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FOR: NEGATIVE ELECTRODE ACTIVE  
MATERIAL FOR BATTERY, ANODE  
CAN FOR BATTERY, ZINC NEGATIVE  
PLATE FOR BATTERY, MANGANESE  
DRY BATTERY AND METHOD FOR  
MANUFACTURING SAME

:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated March 18, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.